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The Missouri Senate passed a bill allowing officers to use deadly force if an individual tries to flee and if that individual is suspected to endanger the lives of others.

Debates arise over police right to deadly force

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Legislation aimed to allow officers to utilize deadly force upon individuals trying to flee has been approved in the Missouri Senate.

Senate Bill 661 would make "any person acting under the color of law who deprives another of any right or privilege granted by the Missouri Constitution or laws of this state...liable to the injured party.'

According to law, officers may only make use of deadly force if they believe it would aid in their arrest or if they believe the suspect will endanger the lives of others in an attempted escape.

Missouri law does not hold association between a fleeing suspect and danger.

Northwest Missouri State University freshman Scott Mullins believes more evaluation on the matter is necessary before the decision can be made.

"I think that they need to have discretion further than their own and maybe set things to watch out for to decide that matter because being able to use deadly force on someone is a huge deci-

sion that I don't think one person should be able to make," Mullins said. "People make bad decisions on the fly and that could definitely affect the situation."

Mullins did, however, support the other aspect of this bill and the new implementation of review on unjust arrests.

Similar Missouri legislation has previously tried to alleviate pressure created from questionable police encounters such as that of Michael Brown in 2014.

Freshman and University Police dispatcher Isaac Vara thinks that one single officer's discretion is not enough and that there are lots of things to consider before pulling a trigger on a fleeing suspect.

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Missouri legislature seeks to define 'personhood'

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The Missouri House is moving forward in legislation to ban dona-

tion of fetal tissue from abortions. According to cbslocal.com, Republican Missouri lawmaker Mike Moon created a "personhood" measure that he claims is meant to protect unborn children. Moon's meawould have voters decide dren at every stage of biological development" to a document of the state Constitution protecting "right to life." However, the opponents say it would severely restrict or outlaw all abortions.

The House committee reviewed and voted on the measure. Members of the House gave the legislation initial approval it moves to the Senate next. This bill is the latest effort by

sion to control abortion.

While some officials fear that the ban will eventually outlaw all abortions later on, Northwest freshman Lucia Mann disagrees.

'If they ban the donation of fetal tissue, I don't think it will stop abortions. People will do it either way, whether it's legal or not. I think a lot of things good come out of it. It gives us cures to different diseas-

Another student, sophomore Ashtyn Didgvesh agrees that abortion won't be outlawed if the ban passes.

"I don't think it will rule out abortion. I mean, the fetal tissue will help if they can still use it for medical research if they're doing something good about it. It will be bad that they are not using it," Didgvesh

The bill was prompted by leg-

whether to add "unborn human chil- the Grand Old Party (GOP) this ses- es for medical research," Mann said. islative investigations into abortion practices in the state. Last year, an anti-abortion group released a series of videos that appeared to show Planned Parenthood executives discussing how the organization disposes of fetal remains. Anti-abortion activists claim the video proved Planned Parenthood was selling the tissue for profit, which is illegal.

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Construction workers repair the limestone panels of the B.D. Owens Library.

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Library receives overdue repairs

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Facility Services is working to repair damage at the B.D. Owens Library.

A delivery vehicle hit the library building earlier this year. The incident damaged the docking area at the west end of the library. The cost

of repairing everything is being paid for from insurance proceeds.

Inspections before the delivery vehicle incident at the library showed a need for other repairs as well. The sealant joints between the limestone panels were deteriorated. Facility Services decided to fix the damage from the delivery vehicle and the sealant joints at the same

time. In order to fix the limestone panels, removal and replacement of the panel joint sealant systems was

Capital Program Manager and Facility Services Director Allen Mays anticipates the repairs will be finished early in the summer.

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Greek Life Revisioning Process has hopeful vision

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The University Greek Life Revisioning Process has continued to make progress and has set a new ten-

tative deadline for its findings. Coordinator of the Office of Student Involvement Lauren Stehlik said the University and its outside consultants expect the revisioning process to have its finalized recommendation by late fall 2016.

The University received a report from the internal and external investigators April 15 but was not ready to send a report to the community. The revisioning team is putting together a

communication plan for reports. Stehlik and Vice President of Student Affairs Matthew Baker said this process was focused on empowering Greek Life rather than punishing Greek Life.

"It's more of a 'how do we stay ahead of higher education and Greek Life in the future' and definitely not a justification process to Dr. Jasinski about whether or not to keep Greek Life... We know we have something good at Northwest, but we want to stay on top of it," Stehlik said.

The major changes associated with the process will be seen in spring 2017 but minor changes could be seen as early as summer 2016.

"Right now we have a president's retreat and a five council retreat, with the three councils and Greek Week and Order of Omega, they've already told me 'why don't you combine all of those into one and put your resources into something like that," Stehlik said. "So, as I prepare for this summer, I'll probably work on that. It's tentative, but why not work on

something like that." Baker said the process so far has shown he and the rest of the revisioning team are on the correct track, but need more questions answered from different sources.

This lead to the team extending the deadline for the process from April to next fall as well as introducing outside consultants to ask questions and assist in the review of Greek Life.

"We will probably never find the cookie-cutter approach to Greek Life on campus," Baker said. "But, we've brought in outside experts to clarify our thinking and make sure we have the right vision and right method going forward. I think we'll yield a robust Greek Life program. We know Greek Life has had a tremendous value to students for about 75 years."

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Freshman Devon Arbogast participated in the annual color run April 16.

Maryville hosts color run to benefit cancer victims

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Northwest Missouri State University's Student Senate and Student Activities Council (SAC) hosted the Technicolor Run for Cancer April 16 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Raymond J. Courter College Park Pavilion.

The Technicolor Run helped raise money for the American Cancer Society. It was open to anyone who wishes to participate. A variety of activities were offered, including a color run, a 5K race, a 10K race, a bike race for ages 5 to 10, a bike race for ages 11 and up and Bobby's Big Blowout Carnival.

SAC President senior Jenny Hutton said she was optimistic going into the Technicolor Run and was pleased with how it went.

'I think the Technicolor run is going to go well," Hutton said. "We had a small decline in pre-registration, but last year there was a significant amount of people that did same day registration, so we're hoping for that again."

Check-ins for the races opened one hour before the start of the race and closed 10 minutes prior to the

The Technicolor Run started in 2015. Last year's SAC Special Events Coordinator Maddie Yarbrough came up with the idea of the Technicolor Run.

Yarbrough wanted to do something to raise money for cancer.

According to Hutton, Yarbrough knew of events that were based around one type of cancer, but she wanted to do something that would raise awareness for all types of can-

Yarbrough brought the idea to Student Senate's Derek Soldanels and they made the idea of the Technicolor Run a reality. Hutton said she hoped participants of the Technicolor Run learned something from the event.

"I wanted people to take away that this was a fun, family friendly event put on for a good cause: to raise money and awareness for the American Cancer Society," Hutton

SAC member Lucy Hilliard also helped coordinate the Technicolor Run and was pleased with the turnout on Saturday.

'The Technicolor Run went really well," Hilliard said. "I enjoyed working with Jenny Hutton and Drake Summers. They made everything run really smoothly. I couldn't have asked for a better event and better people to run it with."

When choosing what races to include, members of SAC and the Student Senate wanted to make sure there was something for everyone.

The groups did a 5k and 10k for more serious runners.

The color run was a more relaxed race. In this family friendly race, people could walk or run. The bike race was chosen to give kids another activity to do besides the carnival or color run.

The Student Senate and SAC plan to continue the Technicolor Run in the future.



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Trump rails against delegate system after big NY win

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Hillary Clinton, the nearly unstoppable Democrat, and Republican front-runner Donald Trump accelerated Wednesday toward Northeast primaries on an increasingly direct path to presidential nominations after trouncing party challengers in New York.

Clinton, now 81 percent of the way toward clinching the Democratic nomination that eluded her eight years ago, can lose every remaining contest and still prevail. Her sweeping victory in the New York primary called into question the durability of Bernie Sanders' rival campaign and left him with severely limited options for overtaking her.

While Trump strengthened his hand, he is still far from in the clear.

Trump is focused heavily on clinching the Republican nomination through voters' balloting in state primaries, thus avoiding a contested national convention in Cleveland in July. The businessman's win in his home state keeps him on a path to securing the 1,237 delegates he needs, though he'll have to perform well in the round of primaries in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Delaware on Tuesday and in California's huge

His chief rival, Texas Sen. Ted Cruz, has no mathematical path to getting the nomination through primary voting. But he sees a window to snatch the nomination from Trump at the convention, and his campaign is working feverishly to line up delegates who would support him if Trump fails to prevail on a first

The side-by-side GOP efforts at this late stage — with Trump amassing primary victories while Cruz digs for the support of delegates who could settle the nomination - are unprecedented in recent presidential campaigns and add to the deeply uncertain nature of the race.

Trump basked in the glow of his victory at a rally in Indianapolis, where he drew several thousand people to a packed building at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. He railed against the Republican nominating system, pointing to Louisiana, where Cruz outmaneuvered him in the fight for delegates, and Pennsylvania, where the statewide winner gets 17 delegates outright and the rest "are up for grabs."

"They can take the delegates, they can put 'em in airplanes and fly 'em to resorts, they can have dinners with them, they can put them in hotels. Essentially what they're saying is they can buy the election," Trump said.

Indiana votes on May 3.

Cruz campaigned in Hershey, Pennsylvania, trying to brush off his Tuesday shellacking in New York where he failed to pick up a single delegate. With trademark sarcasm, he played down Trump's win, saying the mogul hoped to convince people that "Pennsylvania is a suburb of Manhattan."

"Donald, with a characteristic display of humility, declared this race is over," Cruz said. "Manhattan has spoken. And if the rest of the voters would quietly go home now and allow him to give the general election to Hillary, all would be better.'

Later, Cruz conceded to reporters covering the Republican National Committee's spring meeting in Florida that he cannot win the GOP nomination before the convention but insisted Trump couldn't either. He said it was clear "that we are headed to a contested convention.'

While the messy nomination fight will be a focus of the meeting, party leaders are painfully aware that any rule changes could fuel Trump's charges of an unfair system. Party chairman Reince Priebus has discouraged such action this week.

Clinton's win in New York, a state she rep-



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Donald Trump celebrated his win in the New York primary with a press conference at Trump Tower.

resented in the Senate for eight years, halted Sanders' recent string of victories and put her in a stronger position heading into the next contests. She could lose them all and still win the nomination — if she did well enough to win some delegates.

Sen. Sanders' advisers offered no signs of giving up before the Democrats' Philadelphia convention.

Sanders decamped to his home in Vermont but planned to campaign in Pennsylvania on Thursday and Friday, Clinton was holding events in the Philadelphia area, joining former Attorney General Eric Holder to outline her plans to curb gun violence.

On the Republican side, many party leaders are torn. Some as a threat to the GOP's very existence sees trump. Others fear the party would implode anyway if Cruz were to overtake Trump through a bitter and complicated delegate struggle in Cleveland.

Ohio Gov. John Kasich, the only other Republican left in the race, picked up at least three New York delegates but still has only one primary win — his home state.

Trump's campaign has struggled to keep up with Cruz in working the delegate system, deepening the urgency around his team's efforts to clinch the nomination before the July convention.

Mindful of a need to avoid errors like the ones that plagued his campaign in recent weeks, Trump has hired a more professional political staff, been more careful on social media and infused his victory remarks in New York with flashes of policy proposals.

Proposed legislation allows federal access to encrypted data

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Supposed personal security held in the technology Americans want to be safe is being realized through legislation upholding both.

Republican Senator and Chairman Richard Burr and Democratic Senator and Vice Chairman Dianne Feinstein released the Senate Intelligence Committee's draft legislation of the Compliance with Court Orders Act of 2016 April 13, which would allow judges to order technology companies to assist law enforcement agencies in breaking into encrypted data.

Americans have the ability to send messages through text that cannot be taken by criminals, employ-

ers or even law enforcement. People may also lock their phones in attempts to prevent information on their devices from being intercepted by law enforcement with a court mandated order.

The draft at hand would take away these freedoms by requiring all providers and individuals to comply absolutely with the rule of law. In a press release put forward by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, Feinstein explained the bill.

'No entity or individual is above the law," Feinstein said. "The bill we have drafted would simply provide that, if a court of law issues an order to render technical assistance or provide decrypted data, the company or individual would be required to do so. Today, terrorists and criminals are increasingly using encryption to foil law enforcement efforts, even in the face of a court order. We need strong encryption to protect personal data, but we also need to know when terrorists are plotting to kill Americans."

A case in February brought against Apple by the FBI called for the company to help agents into the iPhone of Syed Farook, a shooter who killed 14 people in an attack December 2. Apple refused to help and lodged a formal appeal. After an outside party found a way to break into the phone, the case was

Freshman Hayley Brown thinks that police gaining access to personal information through court mandated orders is unlawful and takes away from our personal rights.

"They definitely shouldn't be given any more access than already available to them," Brown said. "I think it's hard to establish the line that police should be able to cross."

Logan Hansford is against police oriented encounters and wants them further from his personal life.

"I don't like to get involved with the police. They do not need to have access to my personal life," Hansford said. "They just need to leave people alone and stay away from

If passed, companies would be required to retain the ability to decrypt encrypted messages. This backdoor into technology could leave once heavily secured companies vulnerable to attacks by experienced hackers.

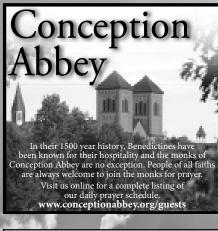
The Wall Street Journal has President Barack Obama's take on the complexity of the issue. "In a society in which so much

of your life is digitized, people have a whole new set of privacy expectations that are understandable," Obama said. "They also expect, though, that since their lives are all digitized that the digital world is safe, which creates a contradictory demand on government."

"Those who surrender freedom for security will not have, nor do they deserve, either one," Benjamin Franklin said.Prop

If technological security means less privacy for Americans, careful discussion is in order to best consider the proper course of action.

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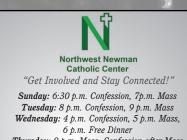
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OUR VIEW:

Missouri police given more protection for unnecessary use of deadly force

Yet another senate bill has been approved guiding Missouri to its ultimate demise by way of crazy conservatives like senators Bob Dixon and Don Hinkle, who protect discrimination and brutality.

The latest bill passed through Missouri senate was a bill that will "allow a law enforcement officer to use deadly force when effecting an arrest or preventing an escape from custody if the officer reasonably believes the force is immediately necessary to make the arrest or prevent the escape and reasonably believes the person has committed or attempted to commit a felony involving the infliction or threatened infliction of serious physical injury, is attempting to escape by use of a deadly weapon, or may otherwise pose a threat of serious physical injury to the officer or others unless arrested without delay.'

This essentially states a police officer can choose to shoot someone if he or she feels it is necessary. This raises a lot of concerns for people, especially because the majority of people who have deadly force used on them by police do not deserve it in the first place.

An interactive research project by "The Guardian" called "The Counted" tracks the number of people killed in the U.S by police. Demographic filters can be applied to see the statistics on these police killings to see who they target and why they use deadly force on certain people. The project shows that people of color are three times more likely to be killed by the police.

The bill states that deadly force

Police brutality statistics

Three years; 2,972 deaths

from officer relating shootings

Fewer than one percent indicted

one officer charged with every 1,000 deaths

Missouri 11th in 2016

17th in 2015

72 percent unarmed

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should only be used to help the arrest or if someone is attempting to escape. However, police will claim they are in harm's way or shoot for resisting arrest when there is clearly no need for it.

Dashboard cameras have caught multiple officers in the act of unjustly shooting someone, much like the shooting of Walter Scott, who was shot in the back after being asked to get out of his vehicle after the officer pulled him over due to a brake light being out, but the majority of officers are able to get away with it by

claiming they were in harm.

A study conducted by the "Washington Post" and Bowling Green University found that among the thousands of people killed by police since 2005, only 53 officers have been charged with crimes. So not only are police already using deadly force for no reason, some are also getting away with murder.

Just Tuesday a New York cop by the name of Peter Liang was sentenced to community service and probation for the murder of an unarmed black male. The officer could have faced up to 15 years in jail, but the judge ultimately threw all charges out.

An analysis by "The Guardian" also shows that 72 percent of people killed by police since 2005 were unarmed and not dangerous after the police had already shot them.

Police need to stay away from guns. There is no reason we need to see this many people dead at the hands of the police with no answers. There is no reason to give police more reason to fire when it is highly unnecessary. Police brutality is at a high and is likely to get worse, es-

pecially when they are protected by this bill.

If police are in harm, they should do what is necessary to bring them back to safety, but too many police officers become trigger happy and shoot unnecessarily.

We would like to suggest a safer alternative and say this bill should be passed and enforced, but only if police are using tasers instead of pistols.

A taser is a temporary pain that will at least stop someone if they are attempting to attack or get away. It is just as effective and much less deadly, according to a scholarly article by Michael D. White of the John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Another solution would be to shoot in a safer place. What happened to police shooting in the leg or somewhere less vital to stop someone? Police should get out of the mindset of "shoot to kill." Shoot to stop and arrest, do not shoot them several times in the back of the head.

This bill will just allow more police to shoot and get away with it, and we do not want to see more police brutality happening.

We do not want to see people murdered at the hands of police officers and then the killers walking free. We need this bill along with a numerous other bills in Missouri to die. There is no room for this kind of bill in this state.

Police have the excuse to do whatever they want already, we do not need to give them a bill to help them. We need a bill to limit their ever-growing overuse of weapons and power.

Public should stop blaming the victims in police shootings



In light of the current events involving deaths by the hands of the police, shaming the oppressed has become the new trend.

This trend affects everyone, and while it takes hard work to fix the problem, the public would rather ignore the issues African Americans are facing and blame them for the deaths of the many infamous males the police have killed.

In the destruction of a small town in St. Louis and the reception of national attention, the aftermath of the death of Michael Brown brought chaos and overwhelming tension from decades of frustration.

Unlike the views of many naïve citizens, the deaths of African American males by the hands of police is not a new development.

The happenings are only thought to be new due to the increase of media coverage and the social media presence.

The death of Mike Brown was the breaking point, but it also was a long time coming.

American citizens were able to view the riots and protests that took

place in response to the deaths of Mike Brown, Eric Garner and Freddie Gray just to name a few and began to shame the black population.

Typically when an unarmed black male is killed by the police, the victim is demonized as a thug, as are the protesters who respond and reacted to the killing. However, when a white male is arrested for a mass murder, the killer is labeled as "mentally unstable".

This is due to the fact that black people are viewed in their entirety as criminals, caused by the portrayal of blacks in the entertainment world. The public sees rappers carrying guns, exploiting women in their songs and their general demeanor, leading to the automatic thug label.

The public needs to step away from these fictional portrayals for publicity and actual take a close look at the real problems that are happening in our society.

The American public line up to denounce the oppressed and lecture the alleged "thugs" on how to carry themselves, however few stand up against the cruel circumstances, the systematic racism, evident police brutality and the fear blacks face every time they confront law enforcement.

The solution is not shaming the oppressed, but finding a way to resolve the issues.

As a resident of Ferguson I was mortified and offended when my fel-

low classmates viewed me differently when I returned to school after that summer.

They saw me as thug because of my skin color and assumed I was one of the many who destroyed my own neighborhood, when that was not the case at all.

However, it has taught me one thing, the shaming of rioters, protesters and black people in general, is the easy way out. We, as an entire society, refuse to do what is right by all people because it is so easy to blame someone instead for their own suffering.

Shaming the oppressed will not fix the problems, it will only make them worse

Religious freedoms bill threatens the rights of many citizens





After a 39 hour filibuster in the Missouri Senate, Republicans forced a vote on a bill that would allow for organizations and businesses to openly discriminate against same sex couples. This "Religious Freedoms" bill permits organizations and businesses to not take part in actions that they might see as condoning samesex marriages because of possibly compromising religious beliefs.

While I do understand the reasons and feelings behind such a bill, I do not agree with it. I can personally understand the religious point of view, due to being raised in a Christian household by my mother and father, both of whom are pastors.

However, I am also an openly gay male, and feel I should not be refused service from any business based on my sexual orientation. One of the biggest messages I was taught growing up was a message of love and acceptance for everyone. But this bill is clearly discriminatory and is completely unconstitutional.

That being said, while I was

raised in a Christian household, I was taught my religious beliefs over time. Homosexuality was something I was born into. When I was of age, I made a personal decision to choose to follow Christ in the eyes of my congregation and God. At no age nor time did I decide I was attracted to men; it is what came naturally to me.

Homosexuality is not a disease, it is not a defect and it is not a choice. That being said, no member of the LGBT community should have to deal with discrimination and be forced to fight for equal treatment.

Our country went through similar struggles in the '60s when interracial couples were not allowed to be married. In 1967 it was ruled that anti-miscegenation laws were unconstitutional. While it is true that same-sex couples as of June 26, 2015 can now be legally married in all 50 states, they are still facing discrimination.

If a business or organization today were to refuse business to an interracial couple, there would be outrage and consequences. There should be outrage and consequences for same-sex couples that are being refused the same services because it is just as unconstitutional. Senator Jason Holsman put it perfectly when he said that the bill attempts to create a "second class citizen" and that arguments used in favor of this bill are "the same arguments once used to justify the denial of service based on race or gender." Every couple, regardless of ethnicity, social status or sexual orientation should be afforded the same rights, services and opportunities across the board.

So what now? The bill has to be voted on and cleared again by the Senate, after which it will go to the House, and if passed (which many expect it will) it will then go to Missouri voters during either the August primary or the November general election. If this is the case, I am urging Missouri voters to do what is right and vote against this bill. I stand with White House Press Secretary Josh Earnest who says that this bill is "inconsistent with the values of justice and fairness and equality that this administration has long pursued."

Our country is founded on the idea that all are created equal and the American ideal is "liberty and justice for all." I believe this is a crucial time for Missouri voters, and voters everywhere, to take a stand for what is right for this generation and for our future generations. America has fought so hard to insure tolerance and acceptance for diversity

and equality, so why would we allow our country to take a step back and ruin all our hard work? Why are law-makers now attempting to make discrimination permissible? We need to continue to push our nation in a positive direction where every person and every couple, regardless of race, gender or sexual orientation, can feel safe, accepted and receive equal treatment under the law.

If this bill were to be passed, numerous companies, organizations and businesses could openly discriminate against persons among the LGBT community. These include religious schools, charities, hospitals, nursing homes and many others. That means this goes far beyond the boundaries of a wedding planner or baker turning away same-sex couples soon to be wed.

This could also allow for adoption agencies and nursing homes to turn couples away, solely based upon their views of gay marriage. I, personally, have plans to be a parent in the future, and have my heart set on adopting a child in need of loving parents. Who is the government to tell me that I am unfit to be a parent and how can it deny that child a safe and loving home?

We are at a time in our country where it seems everyone is fighting for equal and just treatment, from the riots we have seen in Ferguson, to the wage gap between male and female workers, to rights for transgendered persons, this country has been crying out for a change. This is not the time for bigotry and discrimination.

Unfortunately, that is what this bill is, just hiding under the mask of "religious freedom." This bill has nothing to do with religion, it's about discrimination. This bill is singling out the LGBT community. Attorney and director of advocacy and policy for the American Civil Liberties Union of Missouri Sarah Rossi spoke about it, stating, "This is not about interfaith marriages, which a lot of religious people disagree with," Rossi said. "It's not about interracial marriages. It's not about all these other religious beliefs; it's only about LGBT people. It's elevating one religious belief above all other religious beliefs. It's not about religion. It's about being uncomfortable with gay marriage, which is a legal right.'

It is my right and the right of all other members of the LGBT community to be treated with the same dignity and respect and given the same goods and services that any Christian heterosexual couple would receive.

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NEWS BRIEF

Student arrested for domestic assault

University Police arrested a Northwest student for domestic assault against another Northwest student.

According to University Police Chief Clarence Green, freshman Michael Sanders, 18, was arrested April 6 at 8:46 p.m. after his girlfriend, and mother of his child, reported he beat her in her Millikan residence hall room.

The police report said Sanders hit the victim and damaged some of her property.

He ran from police pursuit and refused to comply when eventually apprehended.

Sanders was placed in Nodaway County Jail and recently released on bail.

A court date for Sanders is not yet

LIBRARY

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"The work is weather dependent," Mays said. "So the schedule could be longer or shorter than anticipated, depending on conditions."

Mays is pleased with the speed of the construction so far.

"The work is proceeding very well and is within the budgets established prior to starting the work," Mays said. "The project will not only improve the aesthetics of the building, but will also help to keep the weather out of the building so it can continue serving the campus

long into the future."

According to Mays, other library beautification projects include the replacement of the deteriorated dumpster, area fencing and the removal of the abandoned groundmounted HVAC equipment.

The B.D. Owens Library opened in 1983. According to the Northwest website, it was designed to meet the varied learning and research needs of Northwest students, faculty and staff. Information about library hours and resources can be found online. Library users can access over 130,000 eBooks and various search engines like Ebscohost

GREEK

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Baker said the retention rate of students involved in organizations is one of the key drivers leading the University to want to propose an improved Greek Life.

'Greek Life is a valuable and highly in-demand way to get connected to campus," Baker said.

The consulting company has interviewed alumni, students affiliated with Greek Life, students not affiliated with Greek Life, community members and campus community members.

Consultants went from Sunday to Tuesday. The consultants have a combined 35 years doing similar work across the nation. They will return in the summer to do more interviewing. Once recommendations are generated, they will create a plan to implement the recommendations.

Baker said there is a lack in best practice material for Greek Life programs not solely pertaining to

risk management. The goal of the revisioning process encompasses more than better risk management, but also improving every aspect of Greek Life.

"I think our gut is telling us now that we have a lot of really strong and good students in Greek Life, but we don't necessarily resource and give them the support they need to be successful," Baker said. "Whenever you have an opportunity or an office like that that has a tremendous mission of supporting Greek Life but you don't research enough and you start questioning and you become the police instead of developers. Student Affairs is typically student developers... Greek Life is designed to develop leaders, develop teamwork and a community spirit and a philanthropic spirit, but our resources end up working on risk management and compliance."

According to Baker, the Greek revisioning process has been about trying to find a way to be the new model for how Greek Life should work on a campus. The process is intended to yield products that lift up Greek Life rather than police the organizations.

"Dr. J's charge to myself, to Lauren Stehlik, to Brooke McBride, at the time, was 'how can we have the premiere Greek Life in the country,"" Baker said. "We can't look at anyone and say they're doing it right. Everyone is trying to keep their head above water."

Lauren Stehlik will be the main contact with Greek members, but the consultants may work with Greek members when they are ready to make a recommendation. The consultants will likely run the recommendation across the members and the same avenues they interviewed before officially making it.

Baker said it was still too early to predict outcomes, but one thing he does know is it will yield a new perspective.

"One outcome I see is a better understanding. A new set of eyes with a robust experience," Baker

PERSONHOOD CONTINUED FROM A1

Planned Parenthood claimed these allegations were not true and any costs associated with the tissue were only to recover related expenses. An investigation by Democratic Attorney General Chris Koster found no evidence of lawbreaking in Missouri.

The legislation would also establish a tracking system for fetal remains and require inspections of abortion clinics yearly. While the federal law bans the sale of fetal tissue, it is heavily used for medical research. This allows payment for costs such as transportation, processing and storing the tissue.

Some faculty such as Jeffery Loomis, PhD., agree that fetal tissue is a prominent use for future development in the medical field.

"I believe in fetal tissue being used for productive medical research. I don't think it's a fair tactic to scare us away from that by saying all abortions will suddenly end because of the ban. I don't object to either procedure," Loomis said.

Similar proposals have failed in other states. According to rewire.com, in 2012 the Oklahoma Supreme Court ruled that a proposal to grant "personhood" to human embryos would be an improper ban on abortion. The proposal never made it to voters.

In 2014, voters in North Dakota refused an amendment to the state constitution that would have declared, "the inalienable right to life of every human being at every stage of development must be recognized and protected."

Other bills introduced aimed to require someone under 18 to notify both parents in order to receive an abortion. The House passed a budget this month that blocks any person that provides or counsels a woman to get a non-emergency abortion from receiving Medicaid reimbursements. The sessions for the bill will end May 13.

Blotters for the week of April 21

Maryville Department of Public Safety

April 10.

A summons has been issued to Ethan W. Calfee, 20, for minor in possession and equipment violation at the 200 block North Dunn.

Northwest Missouri

Police Department

There was an open case of steal-

There was a summons issued for Domestic Violence in Millikan

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ing in Colden Hall.

April 6

There is an ongoing investigation for larceny at the 1000 block North Walnut.

April 12 A summons has been issued to

April 9

April 10

Frank J. JR. Grout, 45, for habitual barking dog at the 600 block

A summons was issued for a

liquor law violation in Roberta

East 3rd Street.

April 13. A summons has been issued to Ladderick A. Smith, 19, for pos-

session of drug paraphernalia and failure to dim headlights at the 400 block North Fillmore.

Six summonses have been is-

sued for liquor law violations in Tower Suites West. Three summonses have been is-

sued for liquor law violations in Dietrich Hall.

April 16

FDIC

There has a been a summons

issued for liquor law violation in Dietrich Hall.

Five summonses have been issued for liquor law violations in Dietrich Hall.

April 17

There was a report of property damage at Tower Suites West.

There was a report of aggravated

assault in an unknown location.

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"I would rather them be physically fit, like they are supposed to, and tackle me instead of shooting at me with anything," Vara said. "If they have to shoot me, I'd prefer a taser, not bullets."

With the other side of this bill safeguarding the constitutional rights of those who believe that theirs were wronged an interesting shift in balance between police authority and citizen review is established.

Visual assessments of often dangerous encounters can lead to long lasting consequences for the armed and the accused. Increasing the limit of power given to officers when making arrests and takedowns will be judged before the House of Representatives.

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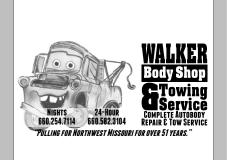
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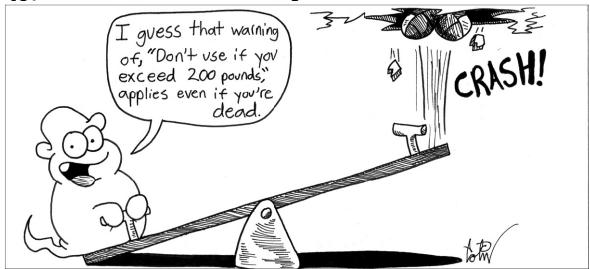
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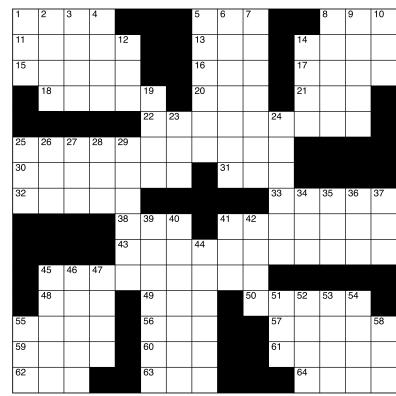
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- 16. No seats available
- 17. Greek sophist 18. Stiff hair
- 20. Recipe measurement
- 21. Legal periodical
- 22. Saloons
- 25. He tricks you
- 30. Closing over
- 31. Man's best friend is one
- 32. Distinguish oneself
- 33. Immoralities
- 38. Marsh elder
- 41. Blasts
- 43. A discerning judge
- 45. Avenge for a wrong
- 48. Doctors' group 49. Jerry's friend
- 50. Type of sword
- 55. Swedish rock group
- 56. Black tropical American cuckoo
- 57. Blatted
- 59. Cain and ___
- 60. Strong liquor flavored with juniper berries
- 61. Cocoa bean
- 62. Get free of
- 63. Cardiograph
- 64. A cargo (abbr.)

Clues Down

- 1. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
- 2. Bird genus
- 3. One point east of northeast 4. A type of fly
- 5. Hurry
- 6. Lighter-than-air craft
- 7. Ask to marry
- 8. Thick rope made of wire
- 9. Imposters 10. Central nervous system
- 14. Robert ___, poet

12. Pie _ __ mode



- 19. Dwelt
- 23. Firewood
- 24. Voices
- 25. Water in the solid state
- 26. Superman's foe
- 27. Chris Paul's team (abbr.)
- 28. Employ
- 29. Mineral
- 34. Vessel
- 35. Nigerian City
- 36. Romania
- 37. Sirius Satellite Radio (abbr.)
- 39. Potential difference
- 40. A class of synthetic detergents
- 41. Drunkard
- 42. Doesn't win or lose
- 44. Appellative 45. Spiritual leader
- 46. Implant

- 47. Language (Afrikaans)
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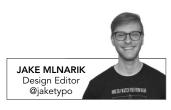
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Satellite houses are an off-campus option for Greek Life members looking to party their college weekends away. Tenants of these houses are subject to extreme highs and lows of the Greek Life party scene.

The good, the bad and the ugly of satellites

Drowning in 'The Aquarium'



To the drunk girl who polished her pooper with my bath towel last semester, I need you to know I'm still worried about you.

For the last nine months, I've lived in a big blue house on the corner of Seventh and Main. Chances are you know it as The Aquarium.

Fun fact: only two out of the five Aquarium tenants are in a fraternity. The top 40 percent is responsible for 100 percent of the parties. It's rigged!

Dig this. I'm not Greek. I'm not a GDI, either (whoever came up with that anyway?).

Believe it or not, college is t a two party system. I'm a student just like everyone else and I'm a pretty sociable guy if the scene is right.

I've worked harder than ever in the last year to get an amazing job after I graduate this spring. I urge you to keep that in mind as you read on.

So why would I live in an infamous party house if I'm not Greek? Well. I'm deep undercover. The results of my year-long social experiment to live among the satellite house dwellers will finally be revealed to you all in this shocking, tell-all exposé.

I wish.

The truth is, I interned in Kansas City last summer. I quickly found myself having to find living situations in two cities at once, so I jumped on the first Maryville prospect I could find. A high school classmate of mine had a room to fill in a big house on Main Street. He said I could stash everything I couldn't fit in my single carload

voyage to KC. Booyah.

Or so I thought. I made a pretty important decision at the drop of a hat and I've been wincing through it ever since. This is what I've learned since my summer storage spot became a place I've had to call home for the 2015-2016 school year.

Want to hone your persuasive communication skills? Simply explain to your own mother how moving into a "satellite house" for your last year of college can't be that bad. For those of you who are confused by the term "satellite house," let me offer you my personal working definition.

Satellite house: a building of ambiguous affiliation with a Greek life organization. An offshore site for fraternities and sororities to partake in general debauchery without fear of full IFC ramifications.

So, what does that mean for me? A lot of things I should have seen coming.

Neglect. I never thought I would have to research the legal definition of "slumlord" until I found out our house owner is virtually a ghost. The foundation is crumbling and covered in black mold. Anyone who has been to the house knows it could be one phone call away from being condemned.

Parties. If you hate peace, quiet and access to your own bathroom, this is the house for you! Aquarium parties are like a fluorescent light on an otherwise dark porch. The house is constantly berated by coeds, like moths bumping into something over and over again and expecting it to open up into some kind of paradise.

Nothing is sacred. By this point, I really hope you're still reading to find out about the fate of my poor bath towel(s). If I had it my way, parties of Aquarium proportions would

be BYOTP. Unfortunately for me, that is not the case.

Complete strangers find themselves helplessly intoxicated in my bathroom with nothing else to reach for but something I've dried my naked body off with hundreds of times. Think about that the next time you take a drunken poop at a stranger's house without CHECKING FOR TOILET PAPER FIRST.

Ants. Most days I can't even make food on the kitchen counter without leaving with a few crawling on me. The perpetual minefield of half-drank beers and ripe frat sludge that cakes the entire house is a 24hour buffet for a relentless breed of frat ants.

Misogyny. I once heard a partygoer refer to a group of girls as "vaginas." He then asked if I would like to do him the honor of joining him in courting the lovely young ladies over a few drinks of mixed spirits. I may have paraphrased that last bit. That's just the tip of the iceberg, by the way.

Fact: there is no preyingon-freshmen-girls major at Northwest. Apparently, there doesn't need to be.

I know there are much worse places to live. I just haven't found them yet. I could go on and on, but I don't intend to stockpile enemies right before I graduate.

If you know me and you're reading this, please don't take my whining personally. I know my lifestyle makes up a taboo minority in this house. College is all about meeting new people and experiencing new things. It's about being comfortable with being uncomfortable. I can certainly check those off of my list.

Sincerely, Drowning in The Aquarium

Surviving and thriving on 'Pluto'



I live in a sorority satellite house. It is the place you drive by every day with its huge Greek letter filling the windows and beer cans littering the

On the weekend my house is a revolving door of sisters and best friends. It is the place that girls come to for an escape from roommates and boys.

When I moved out of the dorms, I thought the nights of randomly being woken up by fellow drunk college students were over. What I didn't know was there were many adventures coming with renting my own place.

I live with three other Panhellenic women.

My first year living in Pluto, we xperienced three different name changes, a fight over a table, two birthday parties, fighting battles of ants and our roommate/best friend studying abroad in Finland.

In my first year, I learned just how great it is to live in a satellite house. Every day you come home to your best friends.

I'm not going to sugar coat it, living with your best friends is not easy. You have arguments about everything and anything. It seems toilet paper and paper towels can stem most fights in a house.

Living in a satellite house you learn a lot about yourself and just about people in general. I think there are four things that everyone should know before moving into one.

1. Accept there will be parties and your stuff will get stolen. The next morning when you wake up hungover to a dirty house and your oven knob is missing, you will feel hatred toward humanity.

2. It's a lot easier to skip class. You are not two minutes away. You actually have to get up 15 minutes early and sometimes you just skip because your professors will not see you at the Union later.

3. You live with other people. Do not be rude. Put your dishes away and clean your mess up. This is not just your house. You all pay to live there and respect is key to a successful and happy house.

4. Cherish the time of watching TV curled up on the couch in a ball with all your roomies. One minute you all live there and the next new people will move in and your time in the house is over.

You take a lot from living in a satellite house and the memories of all the fun you had will be the biggest thing you take from this house.

One of the best experiences from Pluto happened during the past summer. One night, coming home from the Palms, my two roommates and I stumbled into the front door.

As we parted our ways to the perspective zones of the house, one roommate noticed a soft snoring as she was taking her makeup off in the bathroom. My other roommate who was in the living room also heard the snoring and started giggling thinking the other girls had already passed

One of them went to check on the girl in the bathroom. She then went to check on the girl and found a man passed out face first in the hall-

Both girls stood in the hallway laughing for a second after recognizing the man was harmless and a friendly face around our house. Then, one continued on to bed and the while the other tried to wake the young man.

She contacted a friend to come pick him up and get him home. The next day he text us all and apologized for the being a weirdo and passing out in our hallway.

I love living in a satellite house. It is a non stop party. I can have a pizza party with my best friends when ever I want. I would tell anyone to live in a satellite house.

THE STROLLER:

Your Woman and you need to fight and compromise

No one likes to fight. No one likes to be uncomfortable or unhappy. If you are spending more time in your relationship angry and upset, you need to reevaluate.

But fighting and bickering are important parts of your relationship.

In the honeymoon stage, certain quirks and habits can seem adorable. Everything about the other person is perfect and although some things might make your teeth grind, nothing is worth bringing up because no one wants to jeopardize something so

However, a couple months later, those quirks and habits are anything but ador-

able. His flirty personality makes her jealous and her lack of punctuality sets off his temper.

So the bickering begins. It seems like a really big deal at the time, but a couple days later, it is something you can laugh about. People change. They compromise and eventually are able to move on.

Then there are the fights. Maybe you have been bickering about the same thing for months and nothing is getting resolved. Maybe trust was lost and there is trouble moving on.

These fights truly suck and you might think it is something worth breaking up

Newer couples might. It might be something big enough that you have to walk away from each other.

Older couples may have had the same fight twelve times and realize they cannot do it anymore.

Strong couples will work through it. Couples who are willing to fight through the rough times will survive and become

This doesn't mean anyone should cave or give up his or her values just to make the

other person happy. This means a compromise is reached

and things might continue to be rocky for a

But it is the phone call in the middle of the night where you each can put down your

pride and apologize. It is the day you go without speaking but before bed, you still remind your part-

ner of your love. It is those moments that tell the true story of your relationship.

Stay thirsty, Bearcats. The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The

Northwest Missourian.

Bearcats use the summer to work on their bucket lists

JESSICA TRIPLETT A&E Reporter | @jestrip

Freedom is only a week away. The only thing standing in the way of summer is a week of finals. Summer is nigh, meaning free time and sunshine. If you need to add a little adventure to your summer, here are a few items off of your fellow Bearcats' bucket lists.

For everyone looking for something daring and exciting as reward for finishing up the spring semester, junior English major Caitie Nielson plans to cross a big one off her bucket list this summer.

"I've wanted to go skydiving since I was little, and this year is going to be the year," Nielson said.

Nielson explained how difficult it is to find someone willing to pay the money and take the risk with her. The jump would not be as terrifying because she would be accompanied by a trained professional who would pull the parachute for her.

If you are a sports fan, maybe you can take inspiration from senior Austin Conrad. He is going to Boston, Massachusetts to accomplish a childhood dream this summer.

"I am going to see my favorite player, David Ortiz play at Fenway Park in his last season game," Conrad said. "Ortiz is a fan favorite in Boston, a certain hall of famer, three time World Series champ and the 2013 World Series MVP senior."

If you want to enjoy some beautiful scenery and get in touch with your inner child, Sophomore English major Shandy Guffey is taking a more relaxed approach to her summer this year.

"I am going to Colorado to see my sister. We are going to watch 'Finding Dory," Guffey said.

You really can never be too old to hang out with your family and watch a Disney movie.

Not everything planned for the summer has to be a destination or an activity. Some prefer to use the three months of free time to accomplish personal goals. Senior Haylee Barros has a unique goal set for herself this summer.

"I am going to teach myself to yodel and play the harmonica," Barros said.

Don't mistake her words, she is no one-man band. She will not be learning to do them at the same time.

Nick Calandra is a junior and will accomplish an impressive goal this summer break.

"I will be going as a journalist to a tech convention conference in downtown Los Angeles," Calandra said.

More specifically, he will be attending E3. According to its website, it is the world's premier trade show for computers, video games

Speaking on behalf of the broke college student in us all, sophomore Chris Bierman plans to punch the time clock all summer long.

"You can catch me at your local Maryville Sonic or on the Siam slammers," Bierman said.

If worse comes to worst and you are stuck in the Ville all summer, don't worry, Bierman can hook you up with a route 44 and some fast food goodness.

Most importantly Bearcats, be safe, have fun and enjoy your summer.



Bearcats get ready to take on the summer with a bucket list of items they want to do during their time away from school.

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Kolen has suffered two separate hand injuries, resulting in a surgery that put her out for a two week period in March. This does not seem long, but the games added up and the Bearcats lost three of the five matches during that stint.

Kolen was also diagnosed with a concussion this past weekend, pulling her out of two more competitions. Her return would be a huge benefit to the women's playoff run.

"If she is, that's going to give us a spark," Rosewell said. "We are a different team. She's a pretty good singles player as well as a good doubles player."

It looks as though the women will be finishing with either the three or four seed in the tournament with a tough path ahead.

The ideal situation for the men is to capture the No. 1 seed in the region and have home court advantage through regional tournament.

"I think it's like basketball," Rosewell said. "It's a 10 percent better chance. They are used to the court, the dimensions and the way the ball bounces."

Doubles play has been a key improvement area this season with both men and women. It was a mission set from the beginning by graduate assistant Lluis Altimires. The teams have acted upon it, winning many matches late in the season.

"That (doubles) has really helped us," Rosewell said. "We're usually always getting two out of three and that makes us very strong there."

Fontcuberta has been nothing short of phenomenal since coming upon the tennis scene. He has found himself in the No. 3 singles spot but, more importantly, in the No. 1 doubles alongside senior Alvero Riveros. The players will rank in the top 20 nationally when the next rankings come out.

"When I arrived, I was putting more pressure on myself," Fontcuberta said. "I am the new one but now I really like this kind of pressure."

What makes Fontcuberta's accomplishments even more impressive is the little experience he has received while playing with someone else on the same side of the net.

"When I arrived here, I didn't know anything about doubles," Fontcuberta said. "I didn't play any dobles in Spain."

Fontcuberta has gone a combined 16-3 in all singles competitions as well as 14-5 in doubles play. Two of those losses came in the first four matches of the season. The statistics are a true testament to the improvement and adjustments the two Spaniards have made.

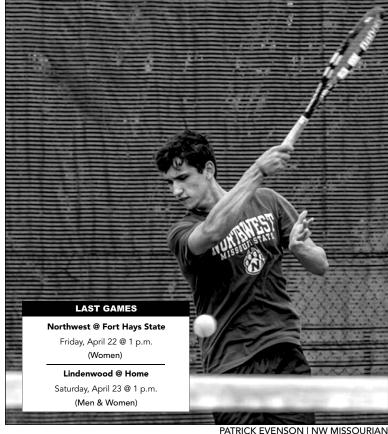
"Its incredible to see what we've done," Fontcuberta said. "They are really good numbers and I think we're doing pretty well."

The key to Riveros and Fontcuberta's success has been the relationship they have built in such a short amount of time.

"We are always talking," Fontcuberta said. "You have to know your partner. He's part of you on the court and we're just really good friends."

The women have two more matches remaining, the first at 1 p.m. this Friday at Fort Hayes State.

The second will be with the men as they play in Maryville at 1 p.m. Saturday against Lindenwood.



Freshman Pedro Pontes swings at a ball during practice April 19.

SENIORS

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"All three are friends with everyone on the team, so it's easy for people to come up and talk to them," Anderson said. "They each come from different backgrounds, so they each have a different outlook on how to approach things here."

Jones is second on the team in home runs with six and was a huge factor in the team's sweep of Missouri Southern April 9. Although each senior is experiencing success, that never hinders their ability to hold tight to the team-first

"They're looking at the big picture," Anderson said. "They want to see the team do well and it helps that they are having good seasons. Overall, being seniors, they know this is their last shot and they want to have a good one. It's good having upperclassmen that know what we are here for. It's about the team's gains, not personal gains."

The final year for the three seniors on the team is rapidly coming to an end, but how much more it stretches is ultimately in their hands. The conference tournament

begins April 28 in Oklahoma City and it lasts until April 30. As Anderson previously stated,

the team's ultimate goal is to make it to regionals and win. But in order to make it to regionals, the Bearcats must first fend off rivals during the conference tournament.

"Right now, it's a group effort," Anderson said. "One through nine, we need people to help finish rounds. We have people with the unselfish mentality of we're here to help others and do what we can to help win."

When the vocal leaders of the team perform at an elevated level, the younger players tend to follow

suit. Although the seniors have left their mark, the team would not be in the position it is in without contributions from the underclassmen. The mentorship and relationships built with the younger players have paid significant dividends, as evident by the team's overall record.

NEXT GAME

Northwest @ Oklahoma City Thursday, April 28 @ 4 p.m.

DEVELOPMENT

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The team points to its defense as the greatest strength of this particular team.

"We have a pretty solid defense, infielders, outfielders, all the way around," Woods said. "It's kept us in a lot of ballgames when our hitting hasn't come through as much."

Another solid strength on this team comes from the adjustments made to the new coaching regime. While the coaches have focused on simply doing the fundamentals, the players have taken notice of Coach Woods' impact on the team.

"It's a lot different," Gardner said. "I feel like it's all been good stuff...I just really like the whole new system."

Usually a team that dubs a season as a "season of improvement" is destined for a below average or mediocre season at best. That is not the case with this team. While improvement remains key, the team remains adamant about its ability to compete at the highest level of competition come postseason play.

"I am looking forward to district championships, getting up there and getting revenge because we finished a little bit sour last year" Coalson said.

"Getting back to districts," Gardner said. "That's when it counts."

The team continues regular season play in the Pony Express Tournament throughout this week. It will have about a month left of regular season ball before the district tournament starts May 14.



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HANNAH WOODSON I NW MISSOURIAN Junior Garrett Fort slides into second base April 16. The Bearcats swept Southwest Baptist in three games last weekend.

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Instead of letting those rankings get the best of their emotions, the Bearcats used it as motivation.

"You can't look into that stuff," Greenslade said. "You know it's there. Us as a group, we know we're a better team than that and we're confident. We kind of took it like we're going to earn some respect and show other coaches and teams around the MIAA that we are the real deal this year."

At the beginning of the season and before conference play started up, the Bearcats had an even record. The pitching kept the team afloat while the offense was not firing on all cylinders. As the season progressed, the offense found its groove and, in some games as of the late, it has carried the team. Coach Darin Loe said he is proud with the way his offense has performed.

"We're an offense that grinds out runs," Loe said. "We don't have a lot of home run numbers. We've done a really good job of gettings guys on (base), moving them over and getting them in. It's an offense that can grind out wins, but it's not going to be flashy."

Northwest (21-17, 16-12 MIAA) is tied with Missouri Southern for fifth place in conference standings. Two weeks ago, the two teams played in Joplin with the Lions winning two of the three games played. However, during the final game, the Bearcats won 19-15 in what was their best offensive output of the season.

This upcoming weekend, Northwest will enter another pivotal threegame series against Central Oklahoma. The Bronchos are in sixth place and the series could have huge implications on the final seeding for the MIAA tournament.

Most of last year, the Bearcats had close to an even record in terms of wins and losses and were in a good position to secure a spot in the MIAA tournament. However, the Bearcats had a sour end to the season, losing 10 of their last 11 games. Coach Loe said it's important for his team needs to remain focused during the final stretch of games.

"(We've got to play) relaxed baseball," Loe said. "We talk about not having preconceived notions against the opponent we are playing and just going out and playing our game. If we concentrate on the process of good pitching, playing

solid defense and timely hitting,

the wins and losses will take care of themselves."

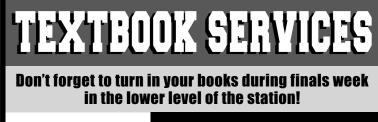
This past weekend, the Bearcats bounced back from a midseason slump and swept Southwest Baptist in three games. During the first game, both teams were tied in the 10th inning before Northwest stole home and won the game after a wild pitch.

The Bearcats used that momentum to win the next two games 7-4 and 7-5, respectively.

"It was big; every game is big in the MIAA," Greenslade said. "Towards the end of the year, teams are so tight coming down to it. That series, it was good to get back on track. We played hard and we played some good baseball."

While there are still 10 games left in the regular season and a two potential postseason berths, the Bearcats have proved their doubters wrong and have become a force in the MIAA.

'We went into this year really wanting to change the culture of Northwest baseball and this group of guys has certainly done that," Loe said. "We're heading in the right direction this year and hopefully we can have a great last three weeks of our regular season and roll that into the conference tournament."





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A10 April 21, 2016 Peterson name rooted in Bearcat history

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Once a Bearcat, always a Bearcat.

This statement is the definition of the impact Northwest has on its students, faculty and community. Andy and Emily (Churchman) Peterson are prime examples of how a college becomes more than a home.

Andy and Emily Peterson are both alumni of Northwest and went from being student-athletes to coaches. Andy Peterson was a leader on the hardwood for the basketball team while Emily Peterson was a star for the track and field team. The two met through the athletic community upon arriving at Northwest.

Andy Peterson's path to becoming a Bearcat is unique. He originally planned to go to the University of Missouri. However, following a Lion's All-Star game that took place at Bearcat Arena during the summer before college, Andy Peterson weighed his options and accepted a partial scholarship from Northwest.

"I was going to Mizzou," Andy Peterson said. "I had a dorm room, class schedule and my best friend from high school was going to room with me. I was set to go there. I came up for all-star game in June and the assistant coach asked me to come up the next Wednesday and try-out. I came up and thought I played horrible, but the coaches liked how I played and hustled and they gave me a partial scholarship that night. I called coach (Steve) Tappmeyer the next day and accepted.'

Emily Peterson's path to Northwest was clearer. In high school, she had a stellar track career at Park

Hill South High School. There she earned all-state accolades in the long jump, triple jump and 4x100 meter relay. A former high school teammate turned Bearcat, praised the school and coaching staff. Following a visit, Emily knew that this was the place for her.

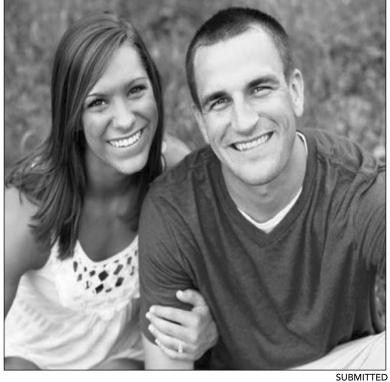
"One of my high school teammates came here to do the heptathlon and she loved it here," Emily Peterson said. "She loved the school and working with coach (Scott) Lorek. I came on a visit and loved the campus. Coach Lorek and I hit it off right away and it was an easy choice."

Andy Peterson redshirted his first year on campus. Following this, he had a great career that involved a 2008 MIAA tournament title and a regular season tournament title during the 2006-2007 season. Along with this, Andy Peterson also lead the team in minutes and has his name etched in the record books for third highest 3-point shooting percentage and sixth all-time in steals.

"I was a glue guy when I played. I was not a stat man. I was on the floor for the glue stuff, to hustle and play defense," Andy Peterson said. "The biggest thing for me when I played was to help my teammates. Get them open, play defense and get the team together."

Following his playing days Andy Peterson served as a graduate assistant for the basketball team for two seasons. At Northwest he received two bachelor degrees, a master's degree in agriculture and a master's degree in physical education. In 2010 he accepted a job at Southwestern Community College in Creston, Iowa as the assistant coach for men's basketball.

"After I got my degree I was



Andy and Emily Peterson have been a part of the Bearcat family for some time.

out in the real world and wanted to move on. I had been dating Emily for about a year, so I didn't want to go too far," Andy Peterson said. "I played basketball in the Iowa Basketball Exposure league and my coach there was coach Mike Holmes who was coaching at Creston. After playing, he said he was looking for assistant coach so I went up there and taught some classes and helped coach basketball."

Emily Peterson's track career started out slowly as she adjusted to the competition at the college level. Once she got used to the competition, a star was born. Throughout her career, she earned All-MI-

AA honors and went to the NCAA Championships as a junior and senior. She also won 11th place finish her junior year and ninth place finishing her senior year while setting a school record in the heptathlon with 5,116 points. She capped off her career as a two-time All-American in the indoor pentathlon and has records in the pentathlon, heptathlon and long jump.

"Coach Lorek was a big part of my success. He was a tremendous support system and always pushed me to do things I didn't think I could," Emily Peterson said. "I had a great group of upperclassmen to learn from and support me."

After her running days were over, Emily Peterson was a graduate assistant for the track team and earned her master's degree in health and physical education. She also followed in the footsteps of many former heptathletes as she tried out for the United States bobsled team in 2010 before coming back to Northwest.

"(The bobsled tryouts) were a great experience. At that point, I think I wasn't quite ready to be done training for something," Emily Peterson said. "I realized that there might be a job opening here (Northwest) and I couldn't see myself working with anyone else or coaching at any other program. Things kind of fell in line."

Following their respective adventures away from Maryville, both Andy Peterson and Emily Peterson returned to back to the place they called home throughout college. The tradition of being a Bearcat and the love and family aspect that Northwest gives brought them back. Andy Peterson is the assistant basketball coach, women's head gold coach and one of five assistant athletic directors. Emily Peterson is the assistant coach for men's and women's track and field and cross country teams.

Both came in as student-athletes looking to earn their degrees. Along the way, they built lasting relationships with coaches and friends who are considered family. They also built a lasting relationship together as Bearcats, and now they are married.

Northwest started out as their college, now it is more. It is a job, a home and, following the birth of their daughter in 2014, it is their life. The Petersons embody the family mentality and are Bearcats for life.

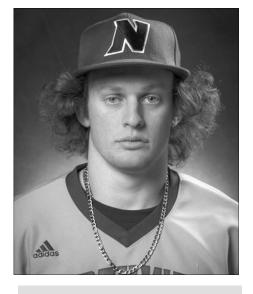
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Nick Gotta



The senior shortstop scored two runs in a 7-4 victory over Southwest Baptist April 17. He also recorded a double, triple and one stolen base.

Elise McDonough



The freshman shot the team's low round of 81 through the first two rounds of the MIAA championships this week.

Bryce Farlin



The junior won the Midland Empire Conference Tournament after he shot a round of 71, helping lead the Spoofhounds to a second place finish overall.

Abby Greely



In the month of April, the junior keeper has only allowed six goals in 10 games. The Spoofhounds are 8-2 in the stretch.

BASEBALL

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Central Missouri		
Emporia State		
Missouri Western		
Washburn	25-13	3 20-8
Missouri Southern	26-13	16-12
*NORTHWEST	21-17	16-12
Central Oklahoma.	23-15	15-12
Northeastern St	20-17	14-13
Nebraska Kearney	16-21	13-15
Southwest Baptist	17-22	2 12-17
Fort Hays St	17-22	2 11-17
Lindenwood	17-22	2 11-18
Pittsburg St	10-27	5-23
Lincoln	1-38	0-29

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SOFTBALL

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X-Pittsburg St	34-1	15 17-5
X-Central Oklahoma.	33-1	15 16-6
Northeastern St	30-1	19 13-9
Central Missouri	25-2	23 11-1
Fort Hays St	17-2	<u>2</u> 8 11-1
Missouri Southern	22-2	29 9-13
Southwest Baptist	18-3	32 9-13
Nebraska Kearney	18-2	24 9-15
Washburn	19-2	23 8-14
Emporia St	19-3	30 7-15
Lindenwood		

April 22 NORTHWEST at Emporia St (DH) April 23 NORTHWEST at Washburn (DH)

X-Clinched Tournament Berth

MEN'S TENNIS

MIAA Standings Overall MIAA

X-Southwest Baptist10-5	
X-*NORTHWEST16-2	3-1
Washburn12-4	2-1
Nebraska Kearney15-2	
Emporia St13-6	1-3
Lindenwood5-11	0-4

WOMEN'S TENNIS

MIAA STANDINGS Overall MIAA

K-Northeastern St	16-2	10-0
K-Southwest Baptist	16-3	7-1
K-Nebraska Kearney	15-4	7-2
<-*NORTHWEST	9-10	5-3
K-Central Oklahoma	16-8	5-4
K-Lindenwood	8-8	4-4
K-Missouri Western	8-5	4-5
Washburn		3-5
Emporia State		
Fort Hays St	7-12	1-8
incoln	0-9	0-10

Lindenwood at NORTHWEST

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Lindenwood at NORTHWEST

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Injuries pile up as Spoofhounds find a way

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The Maryville soccer team may be battered and bruised, but that has not gotten in the way of the girls' success thus far.



The lady Spoofhounds have been in great form throughout the month of April, going a combined 8-2 against all opponents, scoring 51 goals while only conceding six goals.

In this stretch of games, Maryville has suffered many injuries to its starting rotation, but the team's only two losses have come to the hands of two very good squads.

One of the losses was to Springfield Catholic, a team that advanced to the state quarterfinals in the previous season.

The other was to Hannibal, a Class 3 school, a class above Maryville.

"We knew we were going into a lot of good competition and that's what we wanted when we set the schedule in the fall," coach Dale Reuter said.

Over the team's long stretch of games, Maryville, at one point, had seven of its 11 starters out. This gave many opportunities to eager and young underclassman waiting to find a spot in the starting rotation.

"Its tough when a lot of our key players are hurt," junior Abby Greely said. "Players just got thrown into the formation and they did pretty good."

The Spoofhounds participated in the Hannibal varsity tournament this past weekend.

Heading into the tournament, three starters could not make the trip because of injuries in previous matches. Another starter was lost due to prior engagements already made that weekend.

The first game resulted in a 7-1 victory over Burlington, Iowa.

The second match, Mollie Holtman received a small concussion in the third minute which put her out for the remainder of the game. This was against Hannibal in a 4-1 loss, the only defeat of the weekend.

The third and final match was a duel against Summit Christian Academy. Kassi Ginther is in her junior season for the Eagles and has



Senior Mollie Holtmann and junior Kaylie Spire celebrate after an exhausting match against Bishop-LeBlond April 14.

been a dominant force on the soccer field throughout her career at Summit Christian.

"She's got a great shot and eye for the ball," Reuter said. "Maddie held her feet and did a wonderful job. I can't talk enough about what she did in that game."

She has already surpassed 100 goals and is closing in on being one of the all time leading goal scorers in Missouri soccer history.

This is a record Dale Reuter knows all too well as Ashton Reuter, Dale Reuter's daughter, finished her career last season third on Missouri's all time leading scorers sheet with 196 goals.

Sophomore Maddie Holtman had the privilege to defend Ginther all game as she was moved back to

play defense.

"She did a great job," Reuter said. "This was a very physical game and it really took a toll on us."

Senior and sister Mollie Holtman was on full display as well, scoring four goals, which was enough to defeat the Eagles 4-3.

Maryville ended up finishing second in the tournament to Hannibal which barely got the gold by one point.

One of the injured players this past weekend was sophomore Annika Johnson who received a concussion and will not be available for this week's trial of matches. Junior Anna Throm will also be unavailable due to a bruised thigh that is going to put her out this week.

Another girl on the injury list

is freshman Miley Baker. Her foot was bruised after the Summit Christian game and she went to the doctor Monday to receive more treatment. She was diagnosed with a broken bone in her right pinky toe and will be unavailable until next Monday.

Baker didn't show any signs of discomfort during the game and more than likely played on her broken bone throughout the game.

"Just a testament to her courage and the team," Reuter said.

Maryville faces off with Smithville May 26. The winner of this match usually goes on to win the conference. Reuter plans on regrouping his team throughout the weekend and making sure that they all get plenty of rest.

"I'm going to keep these girls

healthy," Reuater said. "Work on the things we need to work on and hopefully give Smithville a good run for their money and see if we can win the conference this year."

The last seven meetings, Smithville has gotten the better of Maryville, dating back to 2009.

This team has shown its true colors these last few games. It has been the toughest challenge the team had faced thus far this season. But with all the team injuries, the Spoofhounds have stood strong. Reuter can't preach enough about how proud he is.

"As the season progresses, you're going to have those bumps and bruises. This speaks volume to the team. I love the commitment. I love the courage and the grit."





Senior Sarah Baldwin winds up to throw a pitch against Missouri Western April 14. The Bearcats lost to the Griffons 3-2.

Pitching duo forges deep senior bond in final season

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As the post season draws near, the roles of the seniors on this year's Northwest softball team become even more pivotal.

After racking up a 17-5 record in the past month, the Bearcats can rest easy knowing they have three seniors capable of impacting a game on any given day. Those seniors are pitchers Sarah Baldwin and Kendle Schieber and infielder Madison Jones.

No position shows the dedication and leadership each senior possesses more than the pitching rotation. That rotation, which is comprised of two seniors, has an ERA of 2.25 which is a close second in the MIAA behind Pittsburg State's 2.00.

The age and maturity of these top two pitchers is something coach Ryan Anderson is glad he could take advantage of.

"You step out every game knowing you have two people that can keep you in the game," Anderson said. "Especially if your offense isn't scoring, they give us a chance to stay in the game."

Schieber leads the team with an ERA of 1.91 and Baldwin is in second at 2.44.

Include the multiple in-season awards earned by both pitchers, and suddenly it is understandable how this team has witnessed so much success. Although the stats of these two tend to stand out, Schieber says it is the effort of the team as whole that was the catalyst for the team's hot streak.

"It's definitely an overall group effort," Schieber said. "Each player has a role and the younger players look up to us. We are a team and we need them too."

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Hounds' success hinges on improved offensive output

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As the academic school year comes to a close, the baseball season is just now picking up.



The Maryville High School baseball team enters the meat of its regular season schedule, seeking to continue the early season success.

The Spoofhounds had a solid start to open their season. Despite a record that does not quite jump off of the page, the team has been consistent in its play and has shown definite signs of improvement.

Improvement has been the clearcut theme of the early season. The sentiment rings from the coaching staff down through the players.

"We are playing some good competition and we are playing right there with them," coach Monica Woods said. "We've got a lot of young kids who are improving along the way. I am pleased with the way it's going so far...the progress that I have seen the kids making, I think we will be able to do some really good things when we get to the end

of the season here." Throughout the year, Lorek and his team have been focused on getting better. One of his athletes, center fielder and junior Thomas Coalson, is proud of the adjustments his team has made.

"We've improved a lot since last year, but we still have a lot of progress to go,"Coalson said. "We are becoming more of a team and getting ready for districts."

Junior utility man Alex Fardner is excited about the his team as well as the direction the team is headed.

"I can't wait to see where we are going to go," Gardner said. "We have a lot of potential, especially once we get everyone working together."

Not only do players and coaches agree on improvement being the most important part of the season thus far, but they also agree on the areas of improvement.

"I think we still have a little bit of work to do as far as developing a whole pitching staff," Woods said. "Hitting wise, we are still a little streaky. Some nights we will hit up and down the line and other nights it will be scattered."

Hitting will be key for the entire team moving forward. The Spoofhounds seek to stay focused by approaching every pitch with caution and patience each time at the plate.

"Hitting is the most important thing," Coalson said. "We've got to get more aggressive. We can't take more pitches than we have been, and once we start hitting, then everything is going to start falling."

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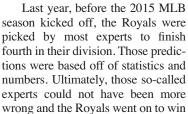
HANNAH WOODSON I NW MISSOURIAN Junior catcher Trey Hoover attempts to tag out a Savannah player at home plate April 12.

Cats positioned for promising postseason run

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Coming into the sea-

son, the Northwest baseball team was slated to finish 12th out of 14 teams.



the World Series. While the Royals had a talented team, their chemistry and love for one another may have ultimately been the difference. The same can be said about the

Bearcats. They were overlooked because of history and the statistics did not point in their favor. What the MIAA poll did not take into account



HANNAH WOODSON I NW MISSOURIAN

Southwest Baptist's Christian Binger gets safely back to first base as sophomore first baseman Kevin Handzlik awaits the throw from the pitcher April 17.

is their determination and selflessness of the team.

"Everyone is at the field everyday," junior outfielder Kolby Greenslade said. "Even on our day off, everyone is there. Hitters are there early, pitchers are there doing

what they need to do to get ready. I think with all that, we're such a tight-knit group of guys who love playing the game and being around

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Northwest men suffer first Division II loss in 14 matches

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The Northwest tennis men seem to have reached their peak while the women still

search for more answers. The men came into the previous weekend with a 13 game win streak against all Division Il opponents. That streak came to an end as the Bearcats fell to Southwest Baptist, the No. 1 team in the MIAA 5-4.

The loss was Northwest's third of the season as well the first to a Division Il opponent all year.

The team's other two losses came to Division 1 opponents, including Wichita State and UMKC.

The 16th nationally ranked Bearcats still remain No.1 in the region and only slide to second in

the conference. The loss against Southwest Baptist was a tough one to swallow, but freshman Sergi Fontcu-

berta from the men's side knew he had to shove those emotions aside heading into the next match.

"We were really sad," Fontcuberta said. "But we turned around the situation. We went in the next day and played really well."

Northwest faced off with Washington University in St. Louis, defeating the Bears 9-0.

This was a big win for the men as the women had the day off.

The women have had a rough go this season, compiling a 9-11 record. What has really hurt the women this season is their inability to stay healthy.

"It's been a terrible year for injuries," coach Mark Rosewell said. "If you don't have the people you think you're going to have, that presents this problem."

Junior Aniek Kolen has been one of those Bearcats on the injury list time and time again.

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